

Course Report for October 2011

The greens took a bit of a hit with all that rain last week, but have recovered a bit now. We are going to punch several greens on the back with very large tines, and a lot of sand. They will take 4-5 weeks to heal up. We hope to do that on September the 29th, with no disruption to play. On October the 10th, we will be punching the rest of them, with small tines. This break in between should be about right to have them all back in pretty good shape at the same time. Please be patient with this process, for several years now we have primarily use only small tines and light sand, and this has increased the amount of disease that we have to deal with. The large tines in some places this fall, and medium sized holes on all of them next spring should improve this situation greatly for next season.

The Bermuda fairways have been very good this year. We have over seeded the section of 14 that gives us the most trouble in the winter and spring and it is looking very good now. We will take the ropes up soon and normal traffic can resume there shortly. First frost will brown the fairways out soon, so after September we will stop mowing. Hopefully they will get a little bit long, which seems to help last longer into the winter months.

Most of the rough has slowed down now, and leaf season is about to begin. We will do our best to get the course clean each morning and ready for play. On windy days it often becomes a futile effort so please be patient from time to time. We have about five Oak trees and several pine trees to get down this year, but that is a light load compared to the last several winters, so it should go quick. As always the wood will be available on a first come first serve basis. We do not hold it for anyone, our main goal is to get rid of it and not have to pay to haul it off.

Thanks for all your support,

Robbie